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THREE CENTS

## Gets Promotion

Henry H. Livingston, Jr., has been appointed assistant trainmaster at Greenfield by the Boston and Maine Railroad. The appointment was made last August.

Mr. Livingston is a veteran of the war and after his discharge from the service began work with the B. & M. as a trainee. He and his family came to Northfield to reside and occupied the Allen cottage in Mountain Park during the summer of 1946. They made many friends here. Early last fall they moved into one of the cottages of Veterans' Village in Greenfield.

He is a native of Castleton on the Hudson and his wife of Richmond, Va. He entered the engineering department of the railroad making surveys until appointed to his present position. The future is full of promise. Local friends wish him well.

## Exhibit At Brattleboro

In the armory at Brattleboro there will be an exhibit of rabbits and guinea pigs on Saturday and Sunday, October 4 and 5, under the sponsorship of the Vermont Rabbit Association. It is said that some 600 rabbits of various kinds will be shown and about 200 covies as well as hamsters. Exhibitors will include Corys M. Heseltun and Charles Scanlan of Northfield.

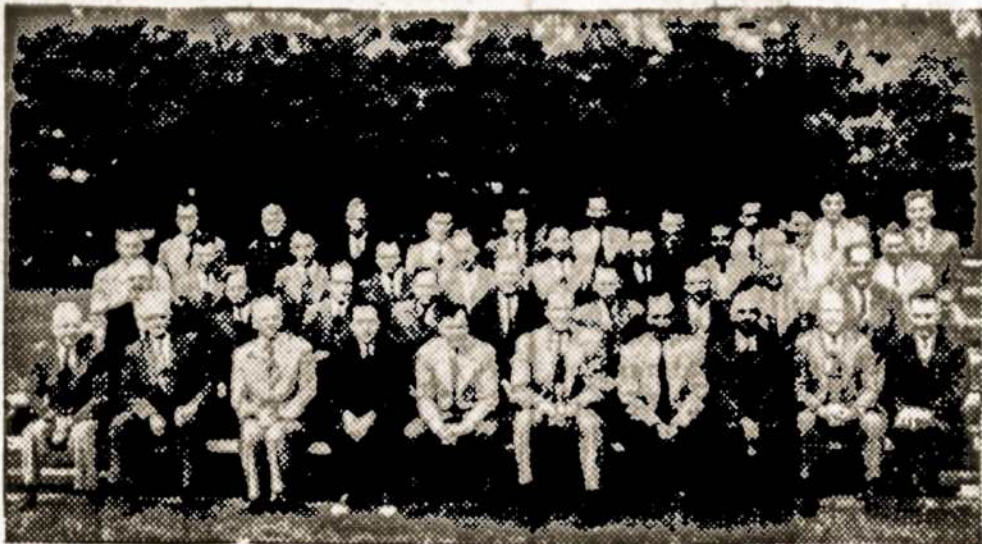
There will be a demonstration of shearing angora wool rabbits, the judging of all entries and the showing of many awards made by exhibitors in previous years. There will also be given some lucky person a fur coat made of rabbit which will closely resemble beaver. There is no charge for admission to the public and all are invited to attend.

## Dies In Montreal

Mrs. Samuel Alexander, widow of the late Samuel Alexander, who lived on the Millers Falls road at the Farms and with her husband were residents of this town for many years, died at Montreal, Canada, on Sunday, September 29, while on a visit with her sister, Mrs. R. W. Ashton.

Mrs. Alexander had been employed as a housekeeper in Greenfield since 1940 in a well-known family and was enjoying a brief vacation while making the visit to Montreal. Her body was brought to Northfield on Tuesday and following a service on Wednesday at Kidder's Funeral Parlor was interred in the family plot at the Farms Cemetery.

## Mount Hermon Teaching Staff



First row, left to right, Dodd, Deming, Hatch, Nixon, Platt, Rubendall, Pyper, Morse, Smith, L'Hommedieu; second row, l. to r., White, Bowman, Morrow Erickson, Forslund, Baxter, Mirtz, Bassette, Rineer. Third row, l. to r., Wyman, Baldwin, Stetson, Stent, Meany, Snow, Raymond, Alexander, Buchanan, Meyers. Fourth row, l. to r., Goding, Laurence, Westin, Reid, Patouillet, Burdick, Blackwell, McVeigh, Zaumseil, Baker. Not shown, Aronson, Bauer, Boak, Crawford, Donovan, Guarnaccia, Koch, Loewus.

## Hermon Club Picnic

A group of Northfield and Hermon people attended the annual picnic of the Hartford and Springfield Hermon clubs at Stanley Park, Westfield, last Saturday. About one hundred and fifty were present. A tour of the park, developed by Frank S. Beveridge, an alumnus of Mount Hermon and a member of the board of trustees of the Northfield Schools, was followed by games and a picnic supper. Those attending included Mr. and Mrs. John Daly, Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord Douglass, Mr. and Mrs. Grove Deming and Mr. and Mrs. Grove Deming, Jr., of Northfield, and Mr. and Mrs. Lester P. White, Miss Mary Baker, Gordon Pyper, Mr. and Mrs. Orvil Mirtz, and George Laurence, of Mount Hermon.

## Auto Inspection Now

The second inspection of all automobiles used on the highways in this state is now under way and the Motor Vehicle Department of Registry asks for full co-operation on the part of the owners of such automobiles. Motorists will go to their garage, if such is an approved inspection station, and have their car carefully checked. Of course brakes, lights, steering and other items will be investigated and if found in good condition and meeting the requirements, a sticker will be issued and pasted on your windshield. Don't try to operate after October 31 without the new sticker unless you want trouble and plenty of it.

## High Classes Elect

Superintendent Robert N. Taylor announces that 187 pupils are enrolled in our high school and that classes are under way for study in the regular and approved program. Recently the various classes held their meetings for organization and the following officers were elected:

**Seniors**—David Quinn, president; Jerome Gingras, vice-president, and Doris Doolittle, secretary. Mr. Brown and Mr. Leonard are class advisors.

**Juniors**—Albert Clough, president; Rita Mello, vice-president, Agnes Duda, secretary, and Shirley Miller, treasurer. Miss Deatryne is class advisor.

**Sophomores**—Esther Carter president; Robert Phelps, vice-president; June Randall, secretary, and Chester Gaida, treasurer. Mr. McLean is class advisor.

**Freshmen**—Roger Bassett, president; Irene Gallant, vice-president, and Barbara Griswold, secretary and treasurer. Mrs. Stimson is class advisor.

## Tennis Authority Here

Mrs. Hazel Hotchkiss Wightman, of Chestnut Hill, outstanding figure in international tennis circles, spent Friday and Saturday at Northfield School for Girls. During her visit she gave class instruction, played exhibition games and illustrated technique with the assistance of her protegee, Miss Betsey Lyons, who holds one of the junior American championships. Mrs. Wightman, who is captain of the Wightman Cup team and an Olympic player, has visited the school on two previous occasions.

## Heads Valley Group

Among the faculty members of the Northfield Schools who hold offices in educational associations is Miss Helen Wright, head of the mathematics department at Northfield School for Girls, who is president of the Connecticut Valley section of the Association of Teachers of Mathematics in New England. Elected at the spring meeting, Miss Wright will preside at the fall meeting on November 1 in Springfield. Mathematics teachers in both schools and colleges in this area comprise the membership.

## Legion Auxiliary Elects

The auxiliary of the American Legion recently held its meeting in the Legion rooms at Town Hall and decided to open a campaign for new members. The election of officers of the auxiliary resulted as follows: Mrs. Bertha Rikert, president; Mrs. Olive Stone, vice-president; Miss Esther Ladzinsky, secretary; Mrs. Alice Briesmaster, treasurer; Mrs. Dorothy Marshall, historian; Mrs. Stanley Payson, chaplain, and Mrs. Louis Potts, sergeant-at-arms.

## Annual Church Meeting Will Be Missionary

An official call has been issued for the annual meeting of the Trinitarian Congregational Church for Wednesday evening, October 8, at 7.30 o'clock. Edgar J. Livingston, as moderator, will call the session to order, first, to hear the annual reports of the various church officers; second, to elect church officers for the coming year or a term of years; third, to vote on the church budget for the coming financial year; fourth, to hear a report from the church building fund committee, and fifth, to transact any other business which may properly come before the meeting. A supper preceding the meeting will be served at 6.30.

## Legion Banquet Held

The American Legion, Haven H. Spencer Post No. 179, of Northfield, held its annual banquet and business meeting Tuesday evening at the Chase House, in North Bernardston. Robert Hubbell, acting commander, presided. A large number of Legion members enjoyed a turkey dinner, after which officers were elected for the coming year. Richard Steenbruggen was chosen commander; Bob Huber, vice-commander; Herbert White, adjutant; Raymond Miller, treasurer; Rev. Lester White, chaplain; Harold Briesmaster, historian; Edward Luciew, sergeant-at-arms.

A committee was formed to report on the feasibility of having a new veterans center as a future project to be sponsored by the American Legion.

## Let's Wish Them Well

Tomorrow evening, Saturday October 4, Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Doolittle, of Ashuelot Road, will observe their fiftieth wedding anniversary at their home. A cordial invitation is extended to all friends to attend from 7 to 10 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Doolittle have been for many years active in the civic and political affairs of the community and identified with the work and purpose of many organizations as well as in their church. The editor of "The Press" hopes that they will be given a heartfelt greeting.

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## Fortnightly Today

The Fortnightly will hold its first scheduled meeting for the season today, Friday, at 8 o'clock, in Alexander Hall. Dr. F. Wilton Dean will be the speaker and relate much of his experience in visiting California and the West Coast last summer. There will be a brief business session and a social hour with tea served by the hostesses, Mrs. Cortland Finch, Miss Daisy Holton, Mrs. Winfred Whittaker and Miss Mercy Brann.

The next meeting will be Friday afternoon, October 17, at 3 o'clock, and guest day will be observed. The speaker will be Marguerite Browning who will talk on the "New Look."

## Heads Beekeepers Association

Franklin County can boast of a large interest in the production of honey and has an association of over a hundred members who are active as beekeepers. At the annual meeting of the organization held last Sunday at Camp Stonehedge Owen Stacy, of West Northfield, was unanimously chosen as president with Burton C. Reed, of Turners Falls, as vice-president, and Mrs. Leonard Rice, of Greenfield, as secretary-treasurer.

Mr. Stacy is employed at Mount Hermon School and his interest in bees began in a small way until now it is more than a hobby interest. He has been very successful with his hives and applies himself to a continual study of the effort.

## Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pearson, of Turners Falls, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Ruth, to Paul Jackson, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jackson, of Gill. No date has been set for the wedding. Mr. Jackson is well known in Northfield and has many friends here. He is employed at the Northfield School for Girls in its power plant.

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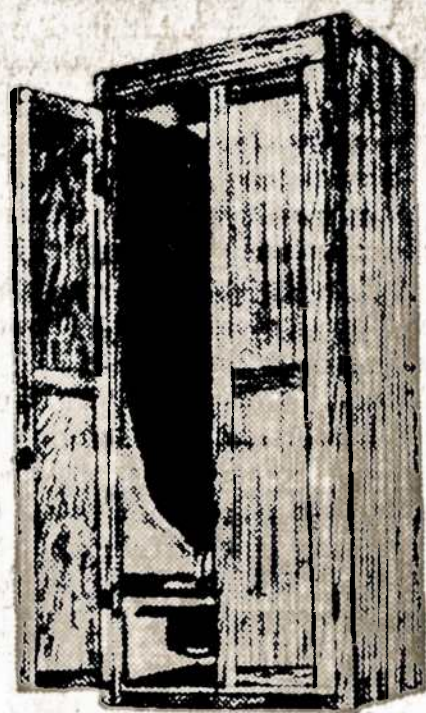
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## Inspect Eastern Star

Northfield chapter, Order of Eastern Star, had its official inspection Wednesday evening at the Masonic Hall on Parker Ave. The officials who inspected were Mrs. Mary N. Cook, past matron of Bethel chapter, of Fisherville, as deputy grand matron, assisted by Mrs. Annie L. Howard, past matron of Rachel chapter, as deputy grand marshall. The local chapter opened its session at 5.30 o'clock and dinner was served at 6.30 o'clock. There was a large attendance of members and guests from other chapters.

## Town Topics

Mrs. Maude N. Voris and Mr. and Mrs. John Laestadius, all of Jamaica, N. Y., have returned to their summer cottage in Mountain Park to enjoy the foliage season.

William L. Stratton, son of Mrs. Jennie E. Stratton of the Farms, and Miss Audrey A. Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Lee, of Freemanburg, Pa., were recently married in Japan in the chapel at the Yokohama Naval Base, according to information received here. The bride is a former member of the WACS, serving in Japan, and the groom is with the Army in Japan.

Attention is called to all lovers of winter sports, especially skiing, that the Candlehard Ski Club, organized here last winter, will hold its initial meeting Friday evening, October 10, in the Legion rooms at Town Hall for the purpose of organizing and conducting a campaign for new members. The meeting will also consider a program for the coming winter season. George Marshall will preside.

Miss Agnes Plotczyk, of Manchester, N. H., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Plotczyk, in West Northfield.

William A. Wright, of Lake Worth, Fla., formerly of Northfield, has transferred to N. Dwight Alexander a plot of land in Northfield.

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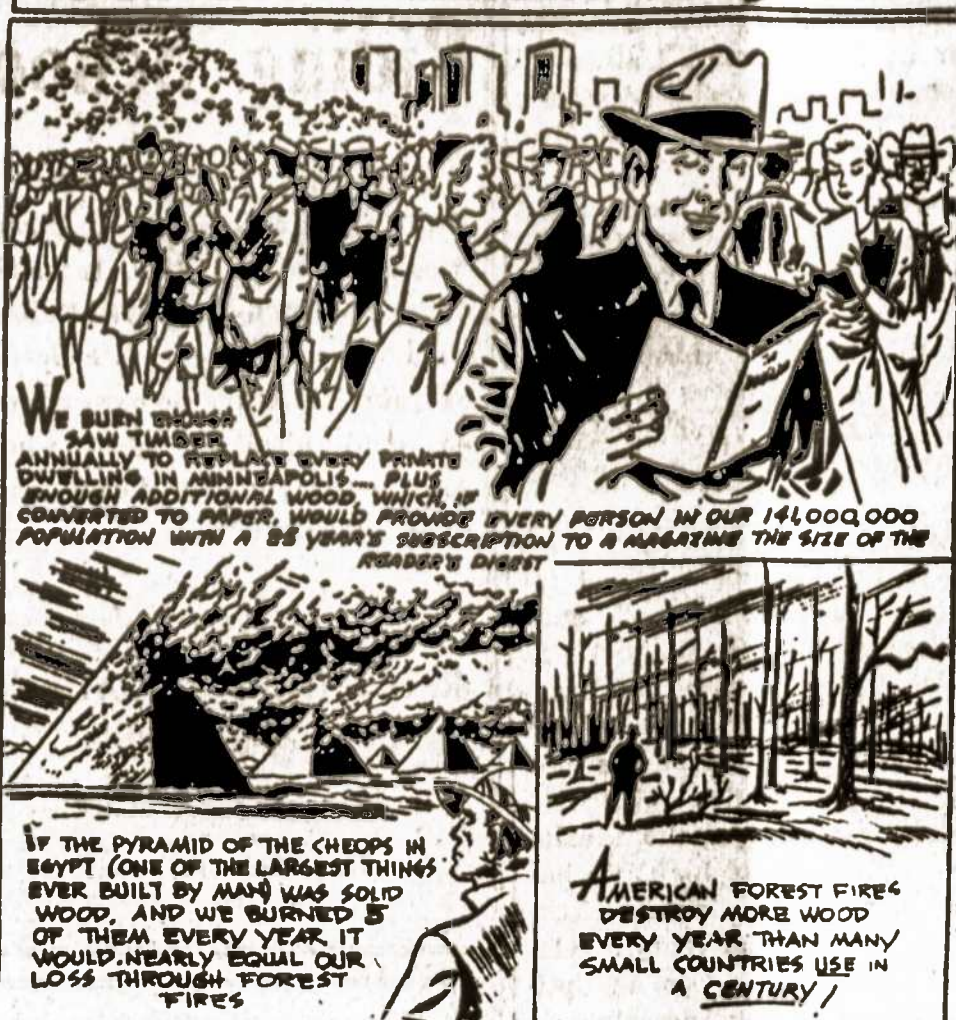
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The inventory of the estate of the late Mrs. Ann J. Housous, of this town, who died last July 12, has been filed in Probate Court.

David E. Gredler, son of Rev. Mrs. Gredler, of Birnam Road, has received a scholarship at Wesleyan University, awarded because of unusual ability. He is a member of the junior class.

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### Grant Highway Hearing

Upon petition of the selectmen of this town the County Commissioners will hold a public hearing on the matter of a relocation of the Plains Road which is necessary for public convenience and before proper improvements can be made. The date for the hearing will be Tuesday morning, October 21, at 11 o'clock in the morning.

George W. Carr, who has been confined to his home for the past two weeks and very ill, is improving and with Mrs. Carr will leave for a two weeks' vacation with relatives during which he will be able to recuperate.

### Carr-Kenyon

The wedding of Miss Florence Doris Kenyon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Milo Kenyon, of Hartford, Conn., and William George Carr, son of George W. Carr, of this town, took place on Friday, September 12, in the old South Congregational Church at Hartford with the minister, Rev. Dr. Archibald, officiating in a double-ring ceremony. After the ceremony and deception the couple left on a wedding trip which they spent in Washington, D. C. They will reside in Hartford where Mr. Carr is a safety engineer with the Aetna Fire Insurance Company.

The Garden Club will hold a session at Alexander Hall Monday evening, October 6, at 7.45 o'clock when important business, a report on the flower show and the annual election will be considered. The speaker of the evening will be Conyn Heselt, with gladiolus as the subject.

Miss Caroline Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll H. Miller, has enrolled as a student at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

Smith College, department of theater, has announced a series of plays for the season which includes the Moliere comedy, living newspaper, modern comedy and legend with music. The opening date will be October 30. Graduates have received information in full and persons desirous of attending any of the plays should confer with Smith graduates.

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### Town Topics

As we go to press a bulletin has been received stating that the foliage is rapidly upon us in the northern areas but will not probably be at its full in the southern areas the middle of next week.

Tomorrow, Saturday, October 4, in the Congregational Church here will take place the wedding of Miss Virginia Bolton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred I. Bolton, of West Northfield, and Edward B. Snow, Jr., of Bernardston. The ceremony in the afternoon will be followed by a reception in the vestry.

With the change from daylight saving time there are only two minor changes in the railroad timetable of the Boston and Maine Railroad in the Connecticut Valley trains. Better read the new timetable just issued or phone the station agents for information if you are taking a train.

Sunday, October 5, World Wide Communion Sunday will be observed in common with many other churches throughout the land. The offering will be to sustain the poor and hungry of the world. The Congregational churches in this state hope to secure at least the sum of \$120,000.

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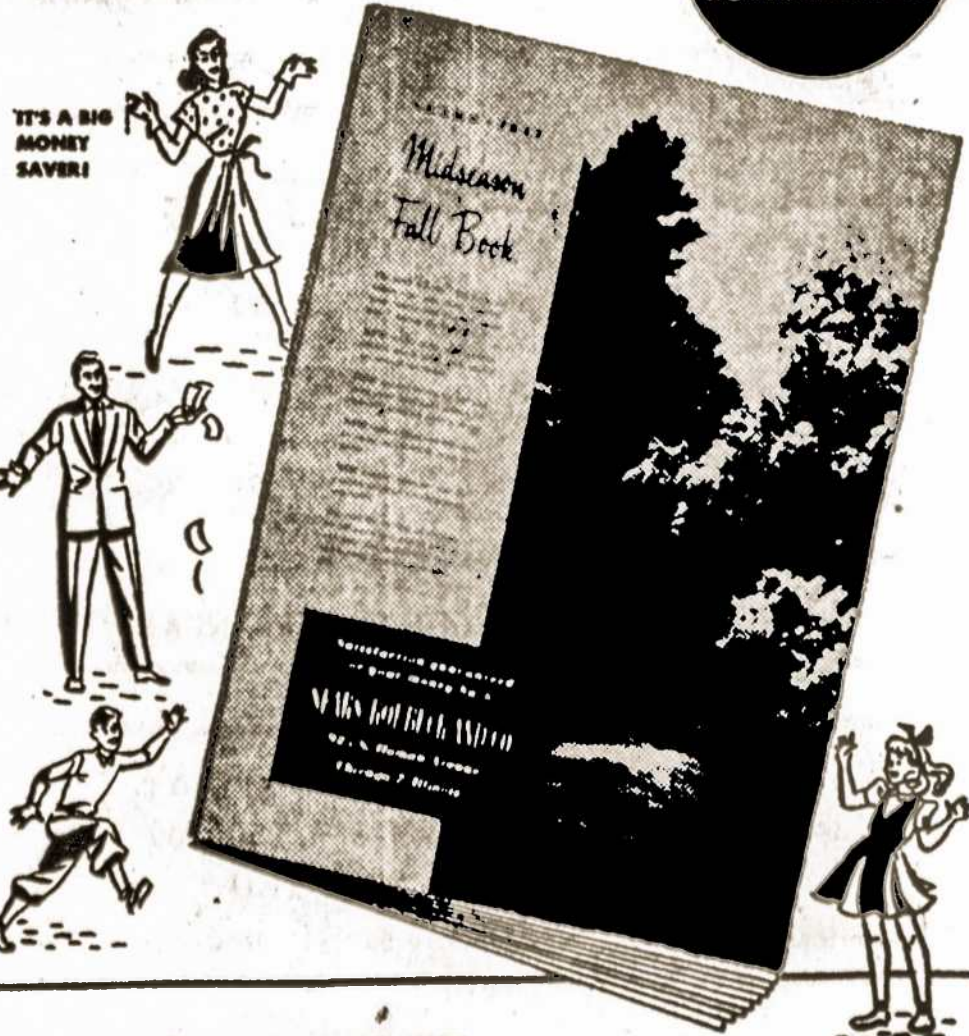
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**Town Topics**

Miss Prudence Moore, formerly of the Mount Hermon faculty, now assistant registrar at Northeastern University in Boston, spent the week end at Mt. Hermon as a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Axel B. Forlund.

On Sunday afternoon, Doctor and Mrs. Meany, assisted by Headmaster and Mrs. Rutland and other faculty members, held a reception for the Class of 1951 at Mount Hermon. Photographs of Hermon places and people in earlier days were exhibited and motion pictures of campus events were shown.

Rev. Benjamin R. Andrews, Jr., chaplain of the Northfield School for Girls, will preach in Russell Sage Chapel Sunday, October 5, at 11 A. M., and Dr. Robert E. Speer, of Lakeville, Conn., will be guest preacher at Memorial Chapel, Mount Hermon School for Boys, at 10.30 A. M.

Ernest N. Kirkman of the faculty of the Northfield School for Girls has returned home after spending the summer in Europe on a visit to relatives in Strasburg. It's not an optimistic revelation that he describes of his observations.

Herbert Stapleton of the weather station at the University of Massachusetts says he is not a weather prophet but from his logic and calculations suggests that the householders will require an extra ton of coal this winter. September's cold drives us to the same conclusion.

The new calendar of events of the Northfield Schools has been issued and is being distributed. It contains the names of the guest speakers at the services each Sunday during the school year both at Sage Chapel and at Mount Hermon Memorial Chapel as well as a list of the special events to come. Thanksgiving will be observed November 27 and the Christmas vesjers will be December 14. The Christmas vacation for Mount Hermon School will be from December 17 to January 6 and for the School for Girls December 18 to January 7.

Miss Josephine A. Moody, whose residence and home is on Rustic Ridge, will leave next week to spend the winter at Intercession City, Fla.

Miss Fanny C. Stockbridge, who has been at her home on Highland Ave. this summer, has returned to her teaching duties at Greenway, Va.

The next meeting of the Women's Alliance of the Unitarian Church will be Thursday, October 9, at 2.30 o'clock in the church, with Mrs. Helen King Gethman as the guest speaker on Czechoslovakia. Mrs. William A. Barr and Mrs. Selah Harriman are the hostesses.

Quite a group of local citizens will go to Brattleboro to hear the address of Henry Wallace on Saturday evening, October 4, with some expecting to take part in the forum with questions. The appearance of Mr. Wallace is under the sponsorship of the Vermont Forums.

Members of the American Association of University Women held their first meeting of the season at the home of Mrs. Henry F. Cutler on Wednesday evening, October 1. There was a musical program with renditions by Miss Gloria Savcheff, of the Northfield School for Girls. A business session and consideration of the year's plan were followed by a social period.

Miss Barbara Spaulding daughter of Rev. and Mrs. L. M. Spaulding, of the Vernon Home, in South Vernon, has gone to Aurora, Ill., to enter Aurora College. She was accompanied on the trip by motor by her parents who will visit friends and relatives in Detroit before returning.

All persons interested in educational affairs and schools of learning will be glad to hear that the new Marlboro College west of Brattleboro opened last week with an enrollment of 54 students. Photographs of the various buildings improved from the many places on the purchased farm are on display in a store window in Brattleboro.

Hotel Brooks in Brattleboro may be sold if an offer of \$100 per share from new interested persons is accepted by the stockholders. A meeting of stockholders was held at the hotel last Tuesday evening to consider the matter. The Brooks House is a familiar hostelry to many friends in Northfield.

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